MINUTES OF A MEETING OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, Held January 25, 2000, at 5:00 p.m. in Room 160, Continuing Education Complex.

**Members Present:** 

Mr. Paul Soubry, Chair

Ms. Claudia Weselake, Vice-Chair Dr. Emőke Szathmáry, President

Mr. Wayne Anderson
Ms. Linda Archer
Mr. Ron Black
Dr. Bernie Dronzek
Dr. Harry Duckworth
Mr. Gordon Fletcher
Mr. Steven Fletcher
Dr. Janet Hoskins
Ms. Claudette Lahaie
Mr. Krishna Lalbiharie
Mr. Iain MacNair
Mr. Ken Shiffman
Ms. Wendi Thiessen
Mr. Kevin Toyne
Mr. Doug Ward

Mr. Béla Cziffra, UMSU Assessor Dr. Jay Goldstein, Faculty Assessor

Ms. Jean Zushman, Support Staff Assessor

Also Present:

Dr. Jim Gardner, Vice-President (Academic) and

Provost

Dr. Joanne Keselman, Vice-President (Research) Mr. Mike McAdam, Vice-President (Administration)

Ms. Bev Sawicki, University Secretary Mrs. Margaret Birt, Recording Secretary

**Guests:** 

Mr. John Danakas, Director, Public Affairs Ms. Mary Jane Loustel, Director, Audit Services

Regrets:

Dr. Arthur Mauro
Ms. Shannon Bracken
Ms. Darlene Hildebrand
Mr. Dale Parkinson
Ms. Carol Smith

#### **PRESENTATION**

Mr. Steven Fletcher, President of UMSU, and Mr. Gordon Fletcher, Vice-President of UMSU, gave a presentation which UMSU had previously made to the Council on Post-Secondary Education (COPSE) in August of 1999. In their presentation they advocated for the University and also indicated the following:

- UMSU has concerns respecting increasing tuition fees, imposition of "work term" fees in some units, restricted wheelchair accessibility, and distribution of teacher evaluation results.
- UMSU has been active in encouraging aboriginal students to enrol at the University.
- UMSU would like to see a halt to the rise in tuition fees, but without sacrificing the
  quality of education. This would entail an increase in operating grants to
  universities. They also recognize the need for funds to redress the deficiencies in
  the infrastructure and accessibility concerns.

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#### **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Board of Governors Open Session meeting held November 30, 1999, were circulated with the agenda. The President requested a change on page 5, eighth bullet from the top which should read "...showed The University of Manitoba moving from 15th to 13th position....". She also requested that the following wording replace the last two sentences in that bullet: "In each of the four years the value-added ranking has been available, our University placed in the top 10 of all universities in Canada." Mr. Ward noted a missing word in the first bullet on page 5, the last line of which should read "... established in 1998 by Mrs. Margaret A. (Peggy) Sellers." It was moved by Ms. Archer, seconded by Mr. Ward that the Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Governors, held November 30, 1999, be approved as amended.

Carried.

#### FROM THE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The Academic Affairs Committee, at a meeting held January 11, 2000, recommended the following items, which were acted upon by the Board at this meeting:

# 1. Report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated November 19, 1999

It was moved by Ms. Archer, seconded by Dr. Duckworth that the Board of Governors approve the 18 new award offers, 20 award amendments, and one award withdrawal, set out in the Report of the Senate Committee on Awards dated November 19, 1999 (as approved and recommended by Senate on January 5, 2000).

Carried.

# 2. Graduate Diploma in Population Health

It was moved by Ms. Archer, seconded by Dr. Duckworth that the Board of Governors approve the Graduate Diploma in Population Health as proposed by the Department of Community Health Sciences (as approved and recommended by Senate on January 5, 2000).

Carried.

# 3. Interdisciplinary Degree Programs in Global Political Economy - B.A. (General) and B.A. (Advanced)

It was moved by Ms. Archer, seconded by Mr. Toyne that the Board of Governors approve the formal program proposal for Interdisciplinary Degree Programs in Global Political Economy, in accordance with the recommendations set out in the Report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes and the Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee (as approved and recommended by Senate on December 1, 1999).

Carried.

### 4. Advanced Major and Honours Programs in Women's Studies

It was moved by Ms. Archer, seconded by Mr. Black that the Board of Governors approve the formal program proposal for the proposed Advanced Major and Honours Programs in Women's Studies, in accordance with the recommendations set out in the Report of the Senate Committee on Curriculum and Course Changes and the Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities Committee (as approved and recommended by Senate on December 1, 1999).

Carried.

# 5. B.Sc. Programs in Psychology

It was moved by Ms. Archer, seconded by Mr. Toyne that the Board of Governors approve the formal program proposal for the proposed B.Sc. Programs in Psychology, in accordance with the recommendations set out in the Report of the Senate Committee on

January 25, 2000.

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<u>Curriculum and Course Changes and the Report of the Senate Planning and Priorities</u> <u>Committee (as approved and recommended by Senate on December 1, 1999).</u>

Carried.

# 6. University Discipline Committee Appointments

It was moved by Ms. Archer, seconded by Dr. Hoskins that the Board of Governors approve the following student appointments to the University Discipline Committee for a one-year term expiring September 30, 2000 (as approved and recommended by Senate on December 1, 1999 and January 5, 2000):

Mr. J. Koh (Arts); Ms. S. Wowchuk (Arts); Mr. J. Ahorro (Science); Mr. J. Edwards (Physical Education and Recreation Studies); Mr. J. Leclerc (Education); Mr. E. Janzen (Graduate Studies); Mr. E. Latif (Graduate Studies).

Carried.

#### FROM THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

The Finance and Administration Committee, at a meeting held January 11, 2000, approved the following item for recommendation to the Board:

 Group Insurance Renewal Report - Basic Extended Life Insurance Premium Rate Increase

It was moved by Mr. Anderson, seconded by Dr. Dronzek that the Basic Extended Life Insurance Rate be increased by 75%, as recommended by the Staff Benefits Committee on November 30, 1999.

Carried.

### REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

Dr. Szathmáry reviewed the Report of the President which was included in the agenda. In addition, Dr. Szathmáry reported that signage directing visitors to the new Parkade on the Fort Garry Campus will be in place this week. She also noted that additional signage on the Brodie Centre Building at the Bannatyne Campus will be put in place to identify the building as part of The University of Manitoba.

The President reviewed the biannual report on the Status of Recommendations Made in the Task Force Report, Building on Strengths, which was circulated at the meeting. This represents the third status report, the first having been presented in January 1999 and the second in July 1999. The report is in two parts: Part 1, Statistical Summary, contains an explanation of the terms used to define the status of each recommendation, a statistical summary of progress made as of January 1, 2000, and a list of recommendations sorted by status code. Part 2 contains a sequential listing of the recommendations with its status (implemented, in progress, etc.) indicated. Activities taken since the last report are given where appropriate. Dr. Szathmáry noted that as of January 1, 2000, 58% of the Task Force recommendations have been implemented. A further 11.6% could be implemented if additional resources were found. Of the 95 original recommendations, only 27.8% are still "in progress". Only 2.6% will not be implemented, as known to date.

Mr. Soubry, Chair of the Board of Governors, inquired about a final report to the community detailing the progress made on the basis of the Task Force recommendations. Dr. Szathmáry said while such a report had been mentioned in the past, no decision had been reached regarding production and circulation.

Mr. Soubry suggested that if Board members have any questions on the report on Task Force recommendations, they should be relayed to the University Secretary for forwarding to the President and subsequent report to the Board.

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# REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF UMSU

Mr. Steven Fletcher, President of UMSU, noted:

- Celebration Week is being held this week and a number of interesting speakers will be visiting the campus.
- Mr. Joe Clark had visited campus recently and had toured UMSU and met with members of UMSU.
- A letter to the Minister of Education and Training, the Hon. Drew Caldwell from Mr.
   Steven Fletcher dated November 12, 1999, outlining topics discussed at a recent meeting, was included in the agenda.
- The annual UMSU Scholarship and Bursary Dinner will be held March 23, 2000, and will be attended by the Premier. Board members were encouraged to attend.

#### **ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

The Board received for information the following items which had also been previously reviewed by various Board committees:

# 1. From the Academic Affairs Committee at its Meeting Held January 11, 2000

- Reports:
  - (a) Canadian Forces University Program Annual Report, September 1, 1998 to August 31, 1999.
  - (b) Equity Services Office Annual Report 1999.
  - (c) Curriculum and Course Changes where net increase is more than nine credit hours.
- Programs: Bachelor of Midwifery COPSE Approval to Proceed to Formal Program Proposal.
- Academic Schedule 2000-2001.
- Naming of Spaces Ralph Campbell Street and Molson Athletic Therapy Suite.
- Program Accreditation: 1999 Annual Report.
- COPSE New (or Substantial Change) Program Approval Process Flow Chart -Graduate Programs.

# 2. From the Executive Committee at its Meeting Held December 14, 1999

- Appt. to External Board Health Sciences Centre [the appointment of the Vice-President Research to the Health Sciences Board was made by the Executive Committee on behalf of the Board].
- Environmental Health & Safety Quarterly Report to November 5, 1999.
- Emergency Plan.
- Amalgamation of Winnipeg Hospital Authority and Winnipeg Community and Long Term Care Authority to form The Winnipeg Regional Health Authority, and the Honouring of Contracts with U. of M..

Mr. Lalbiharie asked regarding an item submitted to the December 14, 1999 Executive Committee concerning the request of the Graduate Students' Association to become autonomous from UMSU. Ms. Sawicki, University Secretary, responded that following the December 14, 1999 Executive Committee meeting, legal advice was sought in relation to the request. This matter will be considered when the legal advice is ready for the Board.

# 3. From the Finance and Administration Committee at its Meeting Held January 11, 2000

- Report on Status of the Year 2000 Project.
- Audit Services Activity Report Nov.1/99-Dec.31/99.

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# MOTION: CLOSED AND CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

It was moved by Ms. Weselake, seconded by Mr. Black, <u>that the Board move into closed and confidential session.</u>

Carried.

Chair

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